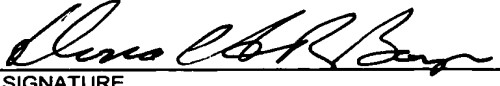


Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

| | | |
|---|--|--|
| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 | | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER P1993 |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP03/14742 | | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) NA |
| INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 22 December 2003 | | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 20 December 2002 |
| TITLE OF INVENTION Masking Device and Coating Method | | |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US BECKORD, Volker | | |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: | | |
| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. | | |
| 2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. | | |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. | | |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). | | |
| 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) | | |
| a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). | | |
| b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. | | |
| c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). | | |
| 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). | | |
| a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. | | |
| b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). | | |
| 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) | | |
| a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). | | |
| b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. | | |
| c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. | | |
| d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. | | |
| 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). | | |
| 9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). | | |
| 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). | | |
| Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: | | |
| 11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. | | |
| 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. | | |
| 13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment. | | |
| 14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. | | |
| 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. | | |
| 16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. | | |
| 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825. | | |
| 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). | | |
| 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). | | |
| 20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Check for fees and Request for Refund | | |

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.414 and 1.491-1.492. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public, which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 15 minutes to complete, including gathering information, preparing, and submitting the completed form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

| | | | | | |
|--|---------------------|---|----------------|--|---------------------|
| U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) NA | | INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP03/14742 | | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER P1993 | |
| The following fees have been submitted | | | | CALCULATIONS | PTO USE ONLY |
| 21. <input type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee..... \$300 | | | | \$ | |
| 22. <input type="checkbox"/> Examination fee If International preliminary examination report prepared by USPTO and all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)..... \$100 All other situations..... \$200 | | | | \$ | |
| 23. <input type="checkbox"/> Search fee Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority..... \$100 International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office..... \$400 All other situations..... \$500 | | | | \$ | |
| TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 = | | | | \$ | 0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof. | | | | | |
| Total Sheets | Extra Sheets | Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number) | RATE | | |
| 0 - 100 = | 0 /50 = | 0 | x \$250 | \$ | 0 |
| Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(h)). | | | | \$ | 0 |
| CLAIMS | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE | \$ | |
| Total claims | 0 - 20 = | 0 | x \$ 50 | \$ | 0 |
| Independent claims | 0 - 3 = | 0 | x \$200 | \$ | 0 |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) | | | | + \$360 | \$ 0 |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = | | | | \$ | 0 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2. | | | | | |
| SUBTOTAL = | | | | \$ | 0 |
| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)). | | | | \$ | 130 |
| TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = | | | | \$ | 130 |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property | | | | \$ | 0 |
| TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = | | | | \$ | 130 |
| 08/25/2005 MKAYPAGH 00000049 10539460 01 FC:1618 130.00 DP | | | | Amount to be refunded: | \$ |
| | | | | Amount to be charged: | \$ |
| a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ <u>130</u> to cover the above fees is enclosed. b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>50-0534</u> . A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. | | | | | |
| NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status. SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: | | | | | |
| | | | |  SIGNATURE Donald R. Boys NAME 35,074 REGISTRATION NUMBER | |

PCT – Designated Office /National Filings

In Re: Volker Beckord
Case: P1933
Serial No.: 10/539,460
Filed: 06/17/2005
Subject: Masking Device and Coating Method

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Mail Stop PCT
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR REFUND

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a refund to deposit account 500534 in the amount of \$360.00 for credit of Multiple Dependent Claim fee.

Applicant submits a preliminary amendment which removes all multiple dependencies of claims prior to processing and examination.

Sincerely,
Volker Beckord



Donald R. Boys
Reg. No. 35074

Central Coast Patent Agency, Inc.
P.O. Box 187
Aromas, CA 95004
(831) 726-1457

Certificate of Express Mailing

"Express Mail" Mailing Label Number: EL996731879US

Date of Deposit: 08/17/2005

Ref: Case Docket No.: P1993

Application of: Beckord, Volker

Serial Number: 10/539,460

Filing Date: 06/17/2005

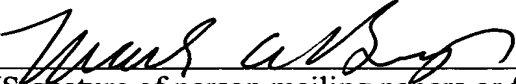
Title of Case: Masking Device and Coating Method

I hereby certify that the attached papers are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. 1.10 on the date indicated above and addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

1. Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office Concerning a Filing under 35 U.S.C. 371 - second submission.
2. Duplicate Transmittal Letter.
3. English translation of specification.
4. Preliminary Amendment.
5. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
6. Request for Refund.
7. Check for fees in the amount of \$130.00.
8. Certificate of Express Mailing.
9. Postcard listing contents.

Mark A. Boys

(Typed or printed name of person mailing paper or fee)


(Signature of person mailing papers or fee)